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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. Stevens introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on ______

A BILL

To provide temporary adjustments in the requirements relating to contributions to, and credit for the purposes of, certain Government retirement systems with respect to certain service performed by certain Federal officers and employees, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
- 2 of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That
- 3 this Act may be cited as the "Federal Employees" Retirement
- 4 Contribution Temporary Adjustment Act of 1983''.
- 5 STATEMENT OF POLICY
- 6 Sec. 2. It is the policy of the Government--
- 7 (1) that the amount required to be contributed by
- 8 employees and officers of the Government who are also
- 9 required to pay employment taxes relating to benefits
- 10 under title II of the Social Security Act for service
- performed after December 31, 1983, be modified until the
- date on which such employees and officers are covered by
- a new Government retirement system (the design,
- 14 structure, and provisions of which have not been
- 15 determined on the date of enactment of this Act) or
- January 1, 1986, whichever is earlier;
- 17 (2) that the Treasury be required to pay into such
- 18 retirement systems the remainder of the amount such

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employees and officers would have contributed during such period but for the temporary modification;

- (3) that the employing agencies make contributions to the retirement systems with respect to such service in amounts required by law in effect before January 1, 1984, without reduction in such amounts:
- (4) that such employees and officers accrue credit for service for the purposes of the public retirement systems in effect on the date of enactment of this Act until a new Government retirement system covering such employees and officers is established;
- (5) that any annuity payable under any present public retirement system based in any part on service which is performed after December 31, 1983, and before January 1, 1986, and for which employment taxes relating to benefits under title II of the Social Security Act are paid be offset by the amount of any benefits payable under such title with respect to such service;
- (6) that such employees and officers who are first employed in civilian service by the Government or first take office in civilian service in the Government on or after January 1, 1984, be transferred to such new Government retirement system as may be established for employees and officers of the Government on or after January 1, 1984, and before January 1, 1986; and
- (7) that credit for service performed after December 31, 1983, by such employees and officials be transferred to such new Government retirement system.

DEFINITIONS

- Sec. 3. (a) For the purposes of this Act--
- 31 (1) the term 'covered employee' means any
 32 individual whose service is covered service;
 - (2) the term "covered retirement system" means--
 - (A) the Civil Service Retirement and Disability

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System under subchapter III of chapter 83 of title 5,

- United States Code;
- (B) the Foreign Service Retirement and Disability System under chapter 8 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4041 et seq.);
- and Disability System under the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 403 note); and
 - (D) any other retirement system (other than a new Government retirement system) under which a covered employee who is a participant in the system is required to make contributions to the system in an amount equal to a portion of the participant's basic pay for covered service, as determined by the President;
- (3) the term ''covered service' means service which 17 18 is employment for the purposes of title II of the Social 19 Security Act and chapter 21 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 by reason of the amendments made by section 101 20 of the Social Security Amendments of 1983 (97 Stat. 67); 21 22 and
- 23 (4) the term "new Government retirement system" 24 means any retirement system which (A) is established for officers or employees of the Government by or pursuant to 25 26 a law enacted after December 31, 1983, and before January 27 1, 1986, and (B) takes effect on or before January 1, 1986. 28
- 29 (b) The President shall publish the determinations made 3Ø for the purpose of subsection (a) (2) (D) in an Executive 31 order.

32 CONTRIBUTION ADJUSTMENTS

33 Sec. 4. (a) An employing agency shall deduct and withhold only 1.3 percent of the basic pay of a covered employee

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1 under--(1) section 8334 of title 5, United States Code; 2 (2) section 805 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 3 (22 U.S.C. 4045); 4 (3) section 211 of the Central Intelligence Agency 5 Retirement Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 7 403 note); or 8 (4) any provision of any other covered retirement 9 system which requires a participant in the system to make 10 contributions of a portion of the basic pay of the 11 participant, 12 for covered service which is performed after December 31, 1983, and before January 1, 1986. Deductions shall be made 13 14 and withheld as provided by such provisions in the case of covered service which is performed on or after January 1, 15 16 1986, and is not subject to a new Government retirement 17 system. 18 (b) Employing agencies of the Government shall make contributions with respect to service to which subsection (a) 19 2Ø of this section applies under the second sentence of section 21 8334 (a) (1) of title 5, United States Code, the second sentence of section 805 (a) of the Foreign Service Act of 22 23 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4045(a)), the second sentence of section 211 (a) of the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 403 note), and any provision 25 of any other covered retirement system requiring a 26 contribution by the employing agency, as if subsection (a) of 27 this section had not been enacted. 28 AMORTIZATION OF CONTRIBUTION DEFICIENCY Sec. 5. (a) For the purposes of this section, the term

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- "contribution deficiency", when used with respect to a 31
- 32 covered retirement system, means--
- 33 (1) the excess of the total amount which, but for
- 34 section 4 (a), would have been deducted and withheld

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1 under a provision referred to in section 4 (a) from the

- basic pay of covered employees who are subject to such
- 3 retirement system for service to which section 4 (a)
- 4 applies, over
- 5 (2) the total amount deducted and withheld from the
- 6 basic pay of covered employees for such service as
- 7 provided in section 4 (a).
- 8 (b) At the end of each of fiscal years 1984, 1985, and
- 9 1986, the Office of Personnel Management--
- 10 (1) shall determine the amount of the contribution
- 11 deficiency incurred during such fiscal year in the case
- of each covered retirement system; and
- 13 (2) shall notify the Secretary of the Treasury of the
- amount of the contribution deficiency in each such case.
- 15 (c) An amount equal to the amount of the contribution
- 16 deficiency incurred with respect to a covered retirement
- 17 system in any fiscal year shall be credited to the fund
- 18 established for the payment of benefits under such covered
- 19 retirement system in thirty equal annual installments
- 20 beginning at the end of such fiscal year, as provided in
- 21 subsection (d).
- 22 (d) Before closing the accounts for each of fiscal years
- 23 1984 through 2015, the Secretary of the Treasury shall credit
- 24 to each fund to which subsection (c) applies, as a Government
- 25 contribution, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise
- 26 appropriated, an amount equal to the total of the amounts of
- 27 the annual installments of the contribution deficiencies
- 28 required by subsection (c) to be credited to such fund in
- 29 such fiscal year.
- 30 (e) Amounts credited to a fund pursuant to subsection (c)
- 31 shall be accounted for separately from amounts credited to
- 32 such fund pursuant to any other provision of law.
- 33 OFFSET OF SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS
- Sec. 6. (a) (1) Section 8339 of title 5, United States

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1 code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following

- 2 new subsection:
- 3 ''(o) (1) Any annuity of a retired employee which is
- 4 computed under subsection (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (g), or
- 5 (n) of this section and is based, in any part, on service to
- 6. which section W (a) of the Federal Employees' Retirement
- 7 Contribution Temporary Adjustment Act of 1983 applies shall
- 8 be reduced by the portion of the amount of any benefits which
- 9 is payable under title II of the Social Security Act to such
- 10 retired employee and is attributable to such service.
- 11 ''(2) For the purpose of paragraph (1) of this
- 12 subsection, the portion of the amount of the benefits which
- 13 is payable under title II of the Social Security Act to an
- 14 individual and is attributable to service to which section 4
- 15 (a) of the Federal Employees' Retirement Contribution
- 16 Temporary Adjustment Act of 1983 applies shall be determined
- 17 by--
- 18 ''(A) computing the amount of such benefits including
- 19 credit for such service;
- 20 ''(B) computing the amount of such benefits, if any,
- 21 without including credit for such service; and
- 22 ''(C) subtracting the amount computed under clause
- (B) of this paragraph from the amount computed under
- 24 clause (A) of this paragraph.''.
- 25 (2) Section 8341 of title 5, United States Code, is
- 26 amended by adding at the end thereof the following new
- 27 subsection.
- 28 '(h) The annuity of any individual which is provided by
- 29 and computed under this section and is based, in any part, on
- 30 service to which section 4 (a) of the Federal Employees'
- 31 Retirement Contribution Temporary Adjustment Act of 1983
- 32 applies shall be reduced by the portion of the amount of any
- 33 benefits which is payable under title II of the Social
- 34 Security Act to such individual and is attributable to such

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1 service, computed as provided in section 8339 (o) (2) of this

- 2 title.".
- 3 (b) (1) Section 806 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980
- 4 (22 U.S.C. 4046) is amended by adding at the end thereof the
- 5 following new subsection:
- 6 (m) (4) The annuity of any individual which is computed
- 7 under this section and is based, in any part, on service to
- 8 which section 4 (a) of the Federal Employees' Retirement
- 9 Contribution Temporary Adjustment Act of 1983 applies shall
- 10 be reduced by the portion of the amount of any benefits which
- 11 is payable under title II of the Social Security Act to such
- 12 individual and is attributable to such service. The reduction
- 13 under this subsection shall be calculated before any
- 14 reduction under section 814 (a) (5).
- 15 ''(2) For the purpose of paragraph (1), the portion of
- 16 the amount of the benefits which is payable under title II of
- 17 the Social Security Act to an individual and is attributable
- 18 to service to which section 4 (a) of the Federal Employees'
- 19 Retirement Contribution Temporary Adjustment Act of 1983
- 20 applies shall be determined by--
- 21 ''(A) computing the amount of such benefits including
- 22 credit for such service;
- 23 "(B) computing the amount of such benefits, if any,
- 24 without including credit for such service; and
- 25 ''(C) subtracting the amount computed under clause
- 26 (B) from the amount computed under clause (A).''.
- 27 (2) Section 814 of such Act is amended by adding at the
- 28 end thereof the following new subsection:
- 29 ''(e) The annuity of a former spouse which is computed
- 30 under this section and is based, in any part, on service to
- 31 which section 4 (a) of the Federal Employees' Retirement
- 32 Contribution Temporary Adjustment Act of 1983 applies shall
- 33 be reduced by the portion of the amount of any benefits which
- 34 is payable under title II of the Social Security Act to such

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1 former spouse and is attributable to such service, computed

- 2 as provided in section 806 (m) (2).''.
- 3 (c) Part C of the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement
- 4 Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 403 note) is
- 5 amended by adding at the end thereof the following new
- .6. subsection:
- 7 'Sec. 223. (a) The annuity of any individual which is
- 8 computed under this part and is based, in any part, on
- 9 service to which section 4 (a) of the Federal Employees'
- 10 Retirement Contribution Temporary Adjustment Act of 1983
- 11 applies shall be reduced by the portion of the amount of any
- 12 benefits which is payable under title II of the Social
- 13 Security Act to such individual and is attributable to such
- 14 service. In the case of an annuity computed under section
- 15 221, the reduction under this subsection shall be calculated
- 16 before any reduction under section 222 (a) (4).
- 17 ''(b) For the purpose of subsection (a), the portion of
- 18 the amount of the benefits which is payable under title II of
- 19 the Social Security Act to an individual and is attributable
- 20 to service to which section 4 (a) of the Federal Employees'
- 21 Retirement Contribution Temporary Adjustment Act of 1983
- 22 applies shall be determined by--
- 23 ''(1) computing the amount of such benefits including
- 24 credit for such service;
- 25 '(2) computing the amount of such benefits, if any,
- 26 without including credit for such service; and
- 27 ''(3) subtracting the amount computed under clause
- 28 (2) from the amount computed under clause (1).''.
- (d) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for
- 30 the purposes of any covered retirement system to which an
- 31 amendment made by subsection (a), (b), or (c) does not apply,
- 32 the annuity of any individual which is computed under such
- 33 system and is based, in any part, on service to which section
- 34 4 (a) of the Federal Employees' Retirement Contribution

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- 1 Temporary Adjustment Act of 1983 applies shall be reduced by
- 2 the portion of the amount of any benefits which is payable
- 3 under title II of the Social Security Act to such individual
- 4 and is attributable to such service. In the case of an
- 5 annuity of a participant or former participant, of a
- 6. surviving spouse or child of a participant or former
- 7 participant, or of any other person designated by a
- 8 participant or former participant to receive an annuity under
- 9 the covered retirement system (other than a former spouse)
- 10 the reduction under this subsection shall be calculated
- 11 before any reduction in such annuity provided under such
- 12 system for the purpose of paying an annuity under such system
- 13 to any former spouse of the participant or former participant
- 14 based on the service of such participant or former
- 15 participant.
- 16 (2) For the purpose of paragraph (1), the portion of the
- 17 amount of the benefits which is payable under title II of the
- 18 Social Security Act to an individual and is attributable to
- 19 service to which section 4 (a) of the Federal Employees'
- 20 Retirement Contribution Temporary Adjustment Act of 1983
- 21 applies shall be determined by--
- 22 (A) computing the amount of such benefits including
- 23 credit for such service;
- (B) computing the amount of such benefits, if any,
- 25 without including credit for such service; and
- (C) subtracting the amount computed under clause (B)
- 27 from the amount computed under clause (A).
- 28 TRANSFER OF CREDIT TO NEW RETIREMENT SYSTEM
- 29 Sec. 7. (a) Any covered employee who first becomes
- 30 employed in civilian service by the Government or first takes
- 31 office in civilian service in the Government on or after
- 32 January 1, 1984, shall be transferred to such new Government
- 33 retirement system as may be established.
- 34 (b) In the case of any covered employee who is subject to

- 10 a covered retirement system on or after January 1, 1984, and thereafter becomes subject to a new Government retirement 3 system--(1) credit for the service of such employee to which section 4 (a) applies shall be transferred from such covered retirement system to the new Government 7 retirement system for the purposes of the new Government 8 retirement system; and (2) such service shall be considered not to be creditable service for the purposes of such covered 11 retirement system, effective on the date on which such employee becomes subject 12 to such new Government retirement system. 13 DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS 14 15 Sec. 8. (a) (1) (A) Notwithstanding any other provision 16 of law, the covered service of any covered employee who is 17 employed by the Government on December 31, 1983, and retires (other than by reason of a disability) entitled to an annuity 18 under a covered retirement system after such date and before 19 the earlier of the date on which a new Government retirement 2Ø system takes effect or January 1, 1986, shall be considered
- in subparagraph (B). 25 (B) For the purposes of subparagraph (A), a covered

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in computing the amount of such annuity only if such covered

employee makes a deposit for such covered service as provided

- 26 employee to whom such subparagraph applies shall make a
- 27 . deposit (for the covered service to which such subparagraph
- 28 applies) to the credit of the applicable covered retirement
- 29 system in an amount equal to the excess of the amount
- required by law (without regard to section 4 (a)) over the 30
- amount which was deducted and withheld from the basic pay of 31
- such covered employee for such service pursuant to section 4 32
- (a) and was not refunded to such covered employee. 33
- 34 (2) Paragraph (1) does not require a deposit to the

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- 1 credit of a covered retirement system for the purpose of
- 2 considering covered service in computing the amount of a
- 3 survivor annuity under such system in the case of a covered
- 4 employee who dies during a period of continuous service in
- 5 the employment of the Government beginning on or before
- a. December 31, 1983.
- 7 (b) If a new Government retirement system is not
- 8 established or does not take effect on or before January 1,
- 9 1986, the covered service of a covered employee shall be
- 10 considered, notwithstanding any other provision of law, in
- 11 determining entitlement to and computing the amount of an
- 12 annuity under a covered retirement system based on the
- 13 service of such covered employee only if such covered
- 14 employee deposits to the credit of such covered retirement
- 15 system an amount equal to the excess of--
- 16 (1) the total amount which would have been deducted
 - and withheld from the basic pay of such covered employee.
 - for such covered service under such covered retirement
- 19 system but for the application of section 4 (a), over
- 20 (2) the amount which was deducted and withheld from
- 21 such basic pay for such covered service pursuant to
- section 4 (a) and was not refunded to such covered
- 23 employee.

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